

When Do Children and Teens Need Vaccinations?

Age	HepB Hepatitis B	DTaP/Tdap Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis	Hib Haemophilus influenzae type b	Polio	PCV Pneumococcal conjugate	Rota Rotavirus	MMR Measles, mumps, rubella	Varicella Chickenpox	HepA Hepatitis A	HPV Human papillo- mavirus	MCV4 Meningococcal conjugate	Influenza
Birth	√											
2 months	(1–2 mos)	√	✓	√	√	√						
4 months	√ ¹	√	✓	✓	√	√						
6 months	(6–18 mos)	√	√ ²		√	√						Any child or teen who wants to avoid influenza may be vaccinated; all children with risk factors
12 months		4 (15–18 mos)	(12–15 mos)	(6–18 mos)	(12–15 mos)			,	(2 doses given 6 mos apart at 12–23 mos)			
15 months							(12–15 mos)	(12–15 mos)				
18 months					Catch-up ⁵ (to 5 years)		- Catch-up ⁵					
19-23 months	Catch-up ⁵	Catch-up ⁵	Catch-up ⁵ (to 5 years)	Catch-up ⁵			- Catch-up					
4-6 years		✓		√			✓	√	Catch-up ⁵			
7-10 years		Catch-up ⁵					Catch-up ⁵	Catch-up ⁵				
11-12 years		Tdap		Catch-up ⁵						(females only) ⁶	√	
13-18 years		Catch-up ⁵ (Tdap/Td)								Catch-up ^{5,6}	Catch-up ^{5,7}	should be vaccinated.8

- Your infant may not need a dose of HepB at age 4 months depending on the type of vaccine that your healthcare provider uses.
- Your infant may not need a dose of Hib vaccine at age 6 months depending on the type of vaccine that your healthcare provider uses.
- 3. If your child is younger than 9 years and is getting vaccinated against influenza for the first time, he or she should get 2 doses spaced at least 4 weeks apart.
- 4. This dose of DTaP may be given as early as 12 months if it has been 6 months since the previous dose and you think you might not return for more shots by the time your child is age 18 months.

Please note: Some children may need additional vaccines. Talk to your healthcare provider.

- 5. If your child's vaccinations are delayed or missed entirely, they should be given as soon as possible.
- 6. All girls and women ages 9 through 26 years should be vaccinated with 3 doses of HPV vaccine, given over a 6-month period.
- 7. If you have a teenager who is enrolling in college and planning to live in a dormitory and hasn't previously been vaccinated against meningococcal disease, they should be vaccinated now.
- 8. Children and teens with certain medical conditions should be vaccinated against influenza. Vaccination is also important for close contacts of children younger than age 6 years and others who are at risk. Talk to your healthcare provider.